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HELP SET BENCHMARK ASSESSMENT SCORES

BOISE – Help shape the future of assessments in Idaho by participating in the Smarter Balanced online panel for achievement level setting.

"Helping set benchmark scores allows parents, teachers and the public a unique opportunity to provide feedback on the new test that is aligned to higher expectations for students," said Superintendent of Public Instruction Tom Luna.

During the process, participants have a chance to review test questions and recommend achievement levels that establish challenging, yet fair expectations for students across the state. Teachers, higher education faculty, parents and the public are all invited to participate on the online panel. Results will provide critical information to the Idaho State Department of Education in establishing achievement levels for the upcoming ISATs by Smarter Balanced.

Participation in the panel requires up to three hours over a two-day window of your choice between October 6 and 17, 2014.

Register for the online panel at: www.SmarterBalanced.org/OnlinePanel. For more information visit: www.sde.idaho.gov/site/commonAssessment

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